

EXCERPT
Proclamation
State of South Dakota
Office Of The Governor

WHEREAS, Approximately 58 million Americans, including one-fourth of South Dakotans, have an increased risk of illness and death due to high blood pressure; and,

WHEREAS, High blood pressure is a contributing factor in millions of heart attacks, strokes, and kidney failures each year; and,

WHEREAS, South Dakota health providers have joined efforts with the National High Blood Pressure Education program to increase awareness and control of this serious public health problem; and,

WHEREAS, Such efforts have helped to lower the stroke mortality rate by 50 percent and the coronary heart disease rate by 35 percent over the past 13 years; and,

WHEREAS, Only one person out of three with high blood pressure is controlling his or her condition;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GEORGE S. MICKELSON, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim the month of May, 1987, as

HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE MONTH

in South Dakota.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Governor's Seal for the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this fifth day of April, in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Seven.

GEORGE S. MICKELSON, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

JOHN HAZELTINE

SECRETARY OF STATE